MANY DELEGATES PRESENT

Speeches of Welcome, Followed by Discussion of Thesis.

RECEPTION THIS EVENING

Delegates from thirty leading American institutions of learning from all parts of the country, members of the Federation of Graduate Clubs, assembled at the school of law and diplomacy of the Columbian University, in seventh annual convention this morning.

Rev. Samuel H. Greene, D.D., acting president of Columbian University, and Dr. Charles Moore, president of the Columbian Graduate Club, made felicitous speeches, welcoming the delegates to the national capital. Dr. Moore said in part:

"We hope you have come here fresh and vigorous, and we shall feel that we have failed in hospitality if you do not go away tired out and exhausted. We are anxious to impress upon you the amount and variety of the riches that await the graduate

student in Washington * * *
"The recent gift of Mr. Carnegie of \$10,-000,000 to endow post-graduate education in Washington is only one of many like movements. The Methodists have raised several million dollars to promote higher education in the District. The Secretary of War has just founded a school for the higher training of the engineer officers, who represent the first fourth of each graduating class at West Point, and to this is to be added a war college, for the post-graduate instruction of army officers generally. It is with no sense of exclusive proprietorship on our part that we call your attention to this embarrassment of

They are yours. Indeed, the entire District of Columbia is yours rather than ours. Those of you who are voters elect our legislators and councilmen. We, unless we happen to be so fortunate as to be able to maintain a residence elsewhere, live and move and have our being politically at the mercy or by the grace of the people of the United States.
"We want you to visit the White House,

where lives the postgraduate par excellence. The youngest President this nation has ever known, he has been in public life more than a fifth of a century. Strenuous in his studies as in his sports, he stands in his studies as in his sports, he stands today as the highest type of the educated men of America. Learn you from him the lesson most needed in the colleges of this country today, that the vast and complicated machine which we call the government of the United States is run by men of conscience of ability and of intelligence." conscience, of ability and of intelligence."

The annual reports of the executive officers showed the organization to be in a flourishing condition, both numerically and

Miss Elizabeth R. Laird of Bryn Mawr College, Pa., reported a catalogue of these subjects, which was followed by a general

Several universities and colleges not represented sought admission to the federation. At the afternoon session James H. Pat-ten, delegate from Harvard University, delivered an able argument for a "National Magazine," to be devoted to graduate and club work. The discussion which followed showed that all of the delegates were favorable to the feasibility of such a magazine and urged its establishment. At the conclusion of the meeting the dele-gates made an excursion to Cabin John

bridge and other points of interest in and contiguous to the District in an observation This evening a reception will be given to the delegates at the New Willard Hotel by the dean of the Columbian Graduate School,

Dr. Charles Edward Munroe. The receiving party will include Dr. and Mrs. Munroe, Dr. and Mrs. Chatard, Mr. and Mrs. N. Monroe Hopkins, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Prior to the reception this evening dele-

gates will visit the Library of Congress. The following delegates are present at the convention. All of these young men and women are candidates for the higher degrees of Ph. D. and A. M. at the colleges they represent: Clarence A. Lester of the department of political science, Brown University; Henry B. Wright, classics, Yale; Miss Jessie N. Gates, mathematics, Yale; Joseph H. Patten, political science, Harvard; Miss Caroline B. Boarlard, romance languages, Bryn Mawr; Miss Henrietta E. Melntire, romance languages. rietta E. McIntire, romance languages, Radcliffe; Miss Marianna Woodhull, comparative literature, Columbia College, N. parative interature, Columbia Conege, N. Y.; Miss Ella F. Beyson, classics, Columbia College, N. Y.; Miss Jennie Green, classics, University of Missouri; E. P. Hender, chemistry, New Park University; Miss Harriet Richardson, zoology, Co-lumbian University; Miss Margerethe Unlumbian University; Miss Margerethe Undahl, Bryn Mawr; Percival Hare, mathematics, Columbian University; Frank E. Damer, chemistry, Dickinson; J. Portez and J. M. Sterrett, philosophy, Columbian. On Saturday Mr. H. Thompson of Columbia University. New York city, will speak on "The Relation of the Graduate Student to Culture" and Mr. John Scott Johnson of Columbian University on "Graduate Work in Political History." Dean Munroe will speak on "The Co-Dean Munroe will speak on "The Columbian University and Its Methods," followed by a general discussion of "The Desirability of Uniform Requirements for the Ph. D. Degree at All Universities." The federation will adjourn at the con-clusion of tomorrow afternoon's session.

BOERS RUSH BRITISH CAMP.

Capture Two Guns and Inflict Heavy Loss on Yeomanry. The following dispatch was received at

the British war office yesterday from Lord Kitchener, dated Johannesburg: "Gen. Rundle reports that on the night of

December 24 Col. Firman's camp at Zeefontein, Orange River Colony, consisting of three companies of yeomanry and two guns, was successfully rushed by a strong commando under De Wet. It is feared that the casualties were heavy. Two regiments of light horse are pursuing the

Boer resistance has always been very strong in that part of the Orange River colony which was the scene of Gen. De Wet's Christmas coup. A great quadran-gle of blockhouses is being built there, the four points of which are Vereeniging, Volksrust, Harrismith and Kroonstadt. At the southeast corner of this quadrangle is a long open space from Bethlehem to Lindsay, where the square of blockhouses is still incomplete, and here De Wet made

Col. Firman's force probably amounted to 400 men, and the disaster, especially the loss of the guns, the possession of which may enable De Wet to successfully attack the blockhouses, creates a disturbing im-

The steamer Huron, which sailed from St.

John's, N. F., yesterday for South Africa, took 738 horses for the British army there. The horses were put aboard and stalled in one hour and fifty minutes.

EL TEMPO'S STORY ABSURD.

Mr. Barrett Discusses Recent Article

in Mexican Paper. A dispatch from Freeport, Ill., yesterday, says: Regarding the statement of El Tempo, a Mexican newspaper, that John Barrett, delegate of the United States to the Pan-American conference, had returned to Washington because the Latin countries did not show docility in accepting the leadership of the United States, Mr. Barrett, who has just arrived here from Mexico, said

"Such a report is too ridiculous to require specific denial. It is an example of the methods of the anti-American element of the Latin press to discredit the conference, or it is one of those foolish stories about American politics that some-times originate, nobody knows how in for-eign capitals. I have returned to the United

About the Credit.

If the holiday demands for ready money have depleted the supply for the time, remember that your purchases here will be charged if you say the word. Actual cash prices and time payments to meet your convenience.

Ever and Always in the Lead

Let Saturday's offerings stand as the type of the manner in which the Greater Stores serve their public. And the message we have for tomorrow is of most interest to that great number who put off all but the gift-buying until after the Christmas rush is over-and a sensible decision it is, too. The following specials have been prepared with the intention of doing away with the usual business apathy which follows the holiday buying, and insignificantly small prices have been made to bring immediate and enthusiastic buying. There's the unequaled power of price in every item.

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The great convenience and advantage of the Hecht plan of economical credit have been tested by over 80,000 residents of Washington, who can testify to its helpfulness. The "chargeit" privilege is yours whether your purchases are large or

About the Suits. Always Interesting. Always Priced Least.

Here's one of the Ladies' Tailored Suit specials for which this department is famous, and which always bring an appreciative throng of buyers. Two lots-

Flegant costumes in elaborate all-over tuck styles; black, blue, brown and Oxford gray; blouse and coat effects; velvet collars and match collars; jacket has silk-faced lapels and lined with fine taffeta silk, broad

By buying the entire stock of a leading maker, who is one of the best known in New York, we are able to offer a special

Tailored Skirts For Dress and Street.

A special lot of fine Wide-wale Cheviot Skirts, beautifully made, with deep flounce—a skirt equal in quality to those sold at \$8.50 elsewhere—as we are \$55.98 makers, the price here is.

Finest quality Black Taffeta Silk Skirts, which sell up to \$25; newest styles and effects—drop skirts, skirts elaborately tucked and hemstitched, herringbone inserting, ribbon quilling, clusters of tucks, tucked bands with velvet ribbon, etc. While the purchase lasts, at.

One of the advance spring styles, made of finest Black Cheviot, narrow hip, serpentine effect, beautifully trimmed, with stitched taffeta silk bands, in four widths, forming deep flounce—will sell for \$12.98. Special.

Ladies, Fashionable Oxford. Ladies' fine Walking or Pedestrian Skirts; Ladies' Fashionable Oxford Gray Walking Skirts, made with deep flounce, small \$1.98 materials; readily selling at \$7.98

Raglans. The Height of Style. The Least of Prices. Ladies' Finely Made Black Kersey Coats, very modish, edges finished with rows of slik stitching, elegantly lined and very best grade, for.....

Stylish Raglans, made in the very popular Oxford gray; all sizes and very high grade in every respect; \$18 and \$20 are the prices asked in other stores for identically the same \$12.50 well the same for the style of the style of the style of the style of the same of the style of the style of the same of the same of the same of the style of the same of t castor and black, deep flounce and tallor-stitched bottom, cuff sleeves, velvet collar, half lined with satin: very stylish; \$29.98 is the marked price. \$24.98

Long Automobile Coats, 28-inch, very swell and stylish; plaid back; made in a very superior manner and high grade in all respects; \$14.98

Kersey Capes. They're marked to sell at \$7.98—but tomorrow's comers will save the \$3. Made of finest black English kersey, storm collar, nicely lined with satiu. \$4.98

The Furs. One-Half to One-Third Under Furriers' Prices.

SPECIAL-Twelve remaining of the popular Matten Fur Neckpleces, which so rapidly. Unusually long, with bushy tails, extra good quality; sold \$4.98

Fine Heavy Marten Neckpieces, large and bushy tails, very stylish; \$6.98 regular price, \$9.98. Special Ladies' Very Handsome and Elegant Near-seal Coats, very highest grade, lined with best satin—a garment any furrier would ask \$40 for. Special at.......

Beautiful Nearseal Muffs, silk lluing, large and very handsome. Usual price, \$2.49 Very smart and stylish Velour Coats, beaded and braided, lined with slik, Eton effects, very swell \$19.98

\$8 Black Silk Waists, \$4.98.

The Waists are in the finest quality of black taffeta silk, in a multitude of styles, such as applique effects in embroidery, clusters of tucks and all-over tuck effects, hemstitching, etc. We've sold just such waists at \$8, which were bought in the regular way—these were secured at a price which makes it possible to \$4.98

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Choice from the finest French Flannel Dress Waists, buttoned back, elegantly trimmed, very handsome and stylish. Selling readilv at \$5 and \$6-for tomorrow only, \$2.98.

Blankets and Comforts.

\$1.29.

Heavy 10-4 Gray Blankets, neat borders; worth 75c. a pair everywhere-

Heavy Satine - covered Comforts, white cotton filling; good colors; sell at \$3.00— \$1.98.

Sheet Music at 5c.

Thousands are coming to know this Music Department, and saving a large part of music stores' prices.

"Awaking of the Lion," "Anchored," "Alice Where Art Thou?" "Dear Heart," "Drifting," "Cavalleria Rusticana," "Devil's Dream," "Far From My Heavenly Home," "Forsake Me Not," "Embarrassment," "He Laid Down His Life for a Boy," "It Was Not Thus to Be," "I Cannot Sing the Old Songs," "Old Folks at Home," "Love's Old Sweet Song," "La Gazelle," "Welcome, Pretty Primrose," "Wedding March" by Mendelssohn, "Qui Vive," 'Her Bright Smile Haunts Me Still," "Home, Sweet Home."

5c.

A Sale of High-Grade White Shirts Much Below Their Value.



Here's a Shirt offering of surpassing interest and a chance to save the better part of the price for the always-wanted shirts. They are the famous Anchor brand White Unlaundered Shirts—and the purchase came to us at a price which has seldem if ever before been paid for upper grade shirts. They are priced to be sold for about half what the same shirts bring the world over. Two lots -

reinforced front and back, patent stays; bosom and cuff bands made of fine 1900 linen; all sizes, every sleeve length. While the purchase lasts the price will be

LOT I-Shirts, made of

good, round-thread muslin,

39c.

LOT II-Finest New York Mills Muslin, thoroughly re-inforced front and back, pat-ent stays; bosom, neck and cuff bands made of 2100 linen; hand-worked buttonholes -all sizes and sleevelengths. The price has been made about half the regular figure, 50c.

Men's Belongings==Lingering Lots Little Priced.

A look through the stocks brings to light many small lots and few of a kind-the natural result of the tremendous holiday selling. For the closing out of these a small part of regular prices prevails. But come early—

Men's Sweaters, navy and white and cardinal and white, sell at 75c. everywhere....... 35c.

Men's Finest Quality Lamb's Wool Red Flannel Underwear, aniline dye, double-breasted, the quality sold in all the stores at \$2 and more per garment—special at.... \$1.39 Big lot of 25c. and 50c. Neckwear, slightly solled in the holiday selling. Choice for Saturday

Newest and Winter Millinery. Rest in

The winter Millinery is the all-absorbing topic with the modish followers of fashion. There's the result of a buying trip to the millinery-creating centers, as well as our own superb productions here for your inspection. Note the Saturday specials-

Ladies' Untrimmed Hats, in best fur felt, all colors; turbans, short-backs, dress shapes, etc.; sell readily at 49C. Ladies' and Misses' Untrimmed Hats, in best quality fur felts and most desirable shapes; a considerable variety; sold 33C. everywhere at \$1.69 and more....

Ladies \$1 Kid Gloves, 55c.

Lot of Ladies' Real Kid Gloves, in modes, tans, black

Flannelette Wrappers, 79

These Wrappers are in heavy-grade flannelette, all colors, elegantly made, with full width skirts, deep flounces, neatly trimmed yokes and bretelles. All sizes-34 to 46. You've paid \$1.50 for just such Wrappers, and they're worth every penny of the price.

Ladies' Dressing Sacques = 20c A very special offering of Ladies' Fine Eiderdown

Dressing Sacques, prettily trimmed with crochet edges and satin ribbon; unusually good quality eiderdown; have sold rapidly at 98c.—special while the lot lasts, 39c.

\$1 R. & G. Corsets = 59c. Every woman knows the R. & G. Corsets — and

knows that they sell everywhere and always at \$1, and are never reduced in price. We have been fortunate enough to secure a 50dozen lot in the most wanted shapes, Nos. 197 and 397-and for the reason that they are in a color which the makers have discontinued (cream) we were able to buy them so that we can save you nearly half the standard price.

Every Man Will Be Interested in This Clothing News.

A little bit of trade pride here-and it's this: We are nearing the end of the most successful year in the history of this clothing department, and as a mark of appreciation and also that we may add all possible to the total of the year's business, we have decided to offer for tomorrow a choice from the regular, highgrade stock in Men's Overcoats, Suits and Trousers at substantial reductions. Not a man but would do well to be here tomorrow for these-



\$12.50 Overcoats,

They're bright and fresh from the makers and fully up to the Hecht high standard—made of Oxford gray and blue kersey cloth, velvet collar, long and medlum lengths. \$12.50 is the price always—\$8.13 for Saturday only.

\$12.50

We consider these suits at \$12.50 the best value we've ever been able to offer at the price—and when we say \$9.25 for to-morrow you may be sure the offering is extraordinary. All that's newest in styles and best in stuffs.

\$4.00 Trousers, \$2.50.

And they're well worth every cent of \$4-made of line worsteds and neat stripe effects, suitable for dress wear. For Saturday \$2.50 will buy your choice,

The Boys' Clothing Better and Better.

There's no break in the crowds who come to this Boys' Clothing Department - the holiday selling surpassed every former record, and it is the purpose to keep up the interest. The following specials should be a forceful invitation to every parent to get in tomorrow-

A special lot of Boys' Suits, made in an excellent manner, of black cheviots and neat mixed goods, double breasted, sizes 10 to 15 years. While they last... \$1.69

Very special lot of Boys' Double-breasted Suits—odds and ends from best selling lines—cassimeres, worsteds and fancy cheviots, sizes up to 15 years; sold up to \$8.98.....

Stylish and Dressy Overcoats.

Wool Knee Pants, 39c.

Boys' Wool Knee Pants, excellently made, Knee Pants, 121/2c.

The rough-and-ready kind, very durable, for every-day wear.

Fine Laundered Waists.

Boys' White and Colored Waists, laundered, beautifully pleated, with 'Mother's Friend' waistbands, collars attached or detached, as desired. All sizes. Sell at 75c. Special offering for Saturday, 39c.

Shoes==Four Big Specials for Saturday.

The footwear department has selected four shoe specials for Saturday, which will well illustrate the economical and satisfactory manner in which you can be served here.

Men's Genuine Enamel Calf Shoes, extension soles, modern toe, shapely and dressy. Sell at \$1.95 stander Kid Button and Lace Shoes; positively worth \$2 pair. \$1.19 Boys', Youths' and Little Gents' Shoes, dependable qual-ity: regular sizes, good selec-tion; sell at \$1.50....

Misses' and Children's Shoes, kid, patent leather and box calf; 69C.

HECHTS' GREATER STORES, 513-515 Seventh St.

AWAITS PRESIDENT'S PLEASURE.

Gov. Shaw Expects to Be Called Here

A dispatch from Des Moines, Iowa, last night says: Pending the receipt of President Roosevelt's letter, the governor has made no plans. He anticipates, however, that he will be called to Washington, and, if so, will go at the pleasure of the Presi-

"I have no plans," said the governor, except that I am satisfied that I shall fill out my almost completed term as executive. The inauguration of my successor will occur on January 16, according to the present plan, and I see no reason why it will not agreeable to allow things to proceed in their regular course."

The governor is in receipt of hundreds of telegrams and letters based on the press announcement from Washington that he has been determined upon for Secretary of the Treasury. Among those who have congratulated him and predicted his success in the administration of the office are representatives of the chamber of commerce of New York and representatives of business and financial interests in Chicago and New York. Personal assurances of pleasure have been received from friends in almost every state, including members of the United States Senate. The executive offices were filled today with visitors offering congratu

SQUATTERS NOTIFIED TO LEAVE.

Government Authorities Order Span tards Off La Costa Island. A dispatch from Jacksonville, Fla., says The Spanish squatters on the Island of La

Costa, government reservation near the mouth of Charlotte harbor, southwest of Florida, must leave there at once, according to orders from the Treasury Department. The revenue cutter Hamilton, acting under orders, visited the island last week, and Lieutenant F. S. Vanbaskerick landed and delivered the ultimatum to the squatters found there. There were about forty, including men, women and children. They were found on the beach ostensibly fishing.

Over a year ago the cutter McLean visited the island and captured a number of smugglers. They found that the island was made a rendezvous for smuggling liquors into the Florida mainland, the fishing business of the people being only a blind. The island contains several hundred acres. Most of the people there are Spanish

REPORT ON CREED REVISION.

Dr. Roberts of Presbyterian Church

Makes a Statement. The Presbyterian creed revision committee has issued the following statement through its secretary, the Rev. Dr. William Henry Roberts, at Pittsburg, Pa.: "For the information of the church, I am

authorized to say that the committee on

credal revision met at Washington, D. C., on December 4 and remained in session until December 14. The work accomplished at the meeting consists of a 'brief statement of the reformed faith' in untechnical terms, and also a declaratory statement. The statement of the reformed faith is contained in sixteen articles and the declaratory statement covers Chap. III; Chap X, sec. 3; Chap. XXV, sec. 6, of the confession of faith, as specified in the assembly's instructions to the committee, and also additional statements as to the 'gospel' and ditional statements as to the 'gospel' and the 'holy spirit.' The work thus far done is altogether tentative, is not for publication, and is to be considered at another meeting of the committee to be held in Philadelphia, Pa., February 5, 1902. The committee also appointed a subcommittee of five, consisting of F. W. C. Humphrey, Drs. McKibbin, Fisher, Nicholls and Moffatt to prepage a tentative revision of the fatt to prepare a tentative revision of the confession of faith on the several points contained in the instructions of the committee above named, the same to be con-sidered at the February meeting along with the declaratory statement."

It is generally understood by the Presby-terian ministers in Pittsburg that the plan of the committee is to report the declara-tory statement to the next general assem-bly and sidetrack the revision movement until the assembly of 1903. The new creed men on the committee are aggressive and believe that the plan of campaign will best promote their desires and give relief at once to the church

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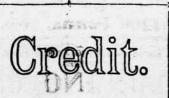
mports From the United States Are Growing Steadily. Correspondence of the Associated Press. COPENHAGEN.

Saturday, December 14, 1901. Imports from the United States into Dennark have been very large during the past few years. Some lines of goods have be come popular, and new articles are gradu-

You Need Not Close the Old Account Before Opening a New One.

Furniture for the New Year.

You have been busy preparing for Christmas—so busy, perhaps, that you haven't had time to look after the home furnishings. But if you act quickly there is time to complete the furnishings of your house before New Year's day.



Detachment of 9th Infantry Surprised

at Dapday.

Probably your finances are somewhat tangled up just now, and ready cash may be a scarce article-but that fact cuts no figure if you buy here, because you can pay for what you get, a little at a time, weekly or monthly. If you need a new set of Dinner Ware, you can

get the celebrated Haviland brand here at lower prices than the cash stores charge. Sideboards, China Closets and Extension Tables in great variety. We make, lay and line Carpets free of cost—no charge for weste in matching figures. YOUR credit is good.

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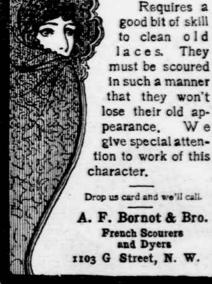
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